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DWD names new Deputies, Controller and Press Secretary

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. – Today Indiana Department of Workforce Development Commissioner Ronald Stiver announced the names of new Deputies for Governmental Affairs, Public Policy, Economic Development, Information Technology as well as Controller and Press Secretary.

Sarah Steele has been named the agency's Director of Governmental Affairs.

Prior to her appointment, Steele served as the finance director for the Mitch Daniels for Governor campaign. In her new capacity, Steele will work directly with local governmental units on a variety of workforce issues, as well as lead the agency's legislative efforts.

Steele graduated from Indiana University in 1997 and attended the University of Virginia graduate school.

Brooke Huntington has been named the agency's Deputy Commissioner for Policy.

Prior to her appointment, Huntington served Arvin Industries in a variety of management assignments, including positions in Mexico and Brazil. In her new capacity, Huntington will work to identify state and national legislative and policy trends and evaluate those trends for application and implementing in Indiana.

Huntington graduated from Butler University in 1997 and attended the Indiana University School of Business where she earned her MBA in 2002.

Andrew Penca has been named the agency's Deputy Commissioner for Economic Development.

Prior to his appointment, Penca served several years with Honda R&D America's, Inc in California before joining A.G. Edwards in 2003 here in Indiana. In his new capacity, Penca will oversee the agency's Business Development, Labor Market Information, Helpline, Oversight and Workforce transition divisions.

Penca graduated from Butler University in 1996 and attended the University of Southern California where he earned his MBA in 2003.

Monty Combs has been named the agency's Controller.

Prior to his appointment, Combs served as Chief Deputy Treasurer for Marion County, working in that capacity since 1996. In his new capacity, Combs will be heading the fiscal administration of the Department of Workforce Development, specifically accounting, budget and financial analysis as well as payroll and grants.

Combs graduated from Indiana University.

Roy Templeton has been named the agency's Information Technology Director

Prior to his appointment, Templeton founded In Touch Information Services, Inc. in 1992. His development-consulting firm specialized in workforce and related systems. In his new capacity, Templeton will be managing the activities of the information services staff and to produce and maintain working automated systems in a professional information technology environment.

Templeton graduated from Indiana State University as well as having a background in Computer Programming Technology from IUPUI.

Kip Chase has been named the agency's Press Secretary.

Prior to his appointment, Chase served two years with Eli Lilly and Company as a Sales Representative in Ft. Wayne. In his new capacity, Chase will work directly with all State of Indiana media outlets as well as handling Public affairs for the Department of Workforce Development.

Chase graduated from Wabash College in 2003.

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